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Eighteen arrested at Posey County Party

The Indiana State Excise Police investigated an underage party that took place at a residence located at 4536 St. Wendel Road, St. Wendel, Posey County, Indiana. This investigation resulted in the arrest of eighteen underage subjects.

On Friday, December 15th, the Indiana State Excise Police received a complaint that an underage drinking party would be taking place at 4536 St. Wendel Rd in Posey County on December 16, 2006. Assisted by the Indiana State Police, officers investigated the complaint and found a large party with an estimated 150-200 persons in attendance. Most of the subjects observed were believed to be local high school students. As officers arrived, several of the subjects at the location fled the area. The officers were able to detain about forty of those at the scene. It was then determined that eighteen of those detained were under the age of 21 and had consumed alcoholic beverages. Ten minors, persons 18-20 years of age, were ticketed for Illegal consumption and were released at the scene. Eight juveniles, persons under the age of 18, were also ticketed and released to their parents.

All of those charged were ticketed into the Posey County court system. A report will be submitted to the Posey County Prosecutor's office to determine if charges will be filed against the parents of the person hosting the party. It was determined that the parents of the party's host were present and allowed this underage drinking to take place. Although they did not provide the alcoholic beverages that were being consumed, a charge of Contributing to the delinquency of a minor could be filed based on the ages of some of the party-goers and allowing them to consume alcoholic beverages at the residence.